

# **Commodity Specification**

## **Dry, Edible Beans, Peas and Lentils**



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**I. General****A. U.S. Standards**

Dry, edible beans, peas and lentils (product/commodity) produced under this Commodity Specification must meet the requirements specified in the applicable United States Standards for Beans, Whole Dry Peas, Split Peas and Lentils effective on the date of the Invitation for Offers to Sell (Invitation). The U.S. Standards are published separately and are incorporated herein and made a part of this Commodity Specification.

**B. Exceptions to U.S. Standards**

Exceptions to the U.S. Standards for the Department of Agriculture (USDA) purchases are found in Section II, Commodity Specifications, of this document. Additional exceptions may be specified in the applicable Invitation. Any exceptions contained in the applicable Invitation shall have precedence over the requirements contained herein, for that Invitation only.

**C. Product Origin**

1. Commodities delivered pursuant to this Commodity Specification shall have originated from crops that have been 100% grown, processed, and packed in the United States, its territories or possessions, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands, (hereinafter referred to as the United States). See Section I.F. of Announcement FV-209.
2. If the contractor handles any commodity originating from sources other than the United States, the contractor must have a written plan to segregate the commodity. This segregation plan will include an identification and record system for all commodities to ensure they are completely segregated and cannot be used to fulfill contracts awarded by USDA. Such segregation plan must be made available to representatives of the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS).
3. The contractor must maintain positive written documentation records evidencing 100 percent domestic origin, to the grower level. Contractors must also ensure that the documentation provided by any sub-contractors demonstrates the same level of traceability. The burden of proof of compliance is on the contractor.

Documentation may include load or warehouse storage receipts for raw product (i.e., bin tags), product blend (formulation) records, product coding explanations, finished product warehousing records, shipping or payment records, or other documentation or evidence that clearly establishes the product's domestic origin.

4. Contractors must provide the domestic origin certification and supporting documentation records to representatives of the USDA Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Federal Grain Inspection Service (FGIS) (USDA Grader) when requesting inspection service. USDA graders will select and review at least one code for each contract to determine compliance with the Agency's domestic origin requirements.
5. Such records must be available for review by the Government in accordance with Article 76 of USDA-1. In the event of an audit, AMS auditors will examine as many codes as is necessary to verify compliance.
6. Self-certifications by contractors and sub-contractors will not be accepted.
7. Failure to observe this requirement may lead to suspension or debarment, contract termination, and penalties at Title 18, Section 1001 of the US Code concerning falsification of information.

#### **D. Manufacturing Practices**

##### **1) Good Manufacturing Practices**

All bean products must be produced in accordance with the Food and Drug Administration's Good Manufacturing Practices (21 C.F.R., Part 110).

##### **2) Plant Audit**

Successful bidders are required to undergo an annual plant survey.

The primary purpose of conducting a plant survey is to ensure that the contractor produces products in a clean, sanitary environment. Contractors are required to maintain process operations records that are sufficiently detailed as to allow the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) and AMS, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, to determine past and current sanitation practices.

The GIPSA will conduct the plant surveys. GIPSA personnel will follow the procedures found in GIPSA's Sanitation Inspection Handbook. Contractors must provide the Contracting Officer with a copy of an acceptable completed survey. An acceptable plant survey will be valid for one year.

Contractors who have a GIPSA inspector in-plant through a contract service agreement will be considered to have met the plant survey requirement, since a plant survey is a prerequisite to a contract service agreement. Similarly, contractors who have completed a GIPSA plant survey for any other purpose within one year of the award will also be deemed to have satisfied this requirement.

Completion of the plant survey prior to the submission of a bid is suggested, but not required. If a firm submitting a bid receives an award, and has not had a plant survey within the past year, it must provide proof of an acceptable plant survey not later than 10 business days from the date of the contract. Failure to provide this documentation within the proper time frame will result in the contract being terminated for cause.

**E. Packing Season**

All bean products must be from the current packing season/crop year, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Invitation.

**F. Types and Styles of Beans**

**DRY, EDIBLE BEANS:** Pinto Beans, Red Beans (small red type only), Blackeye Beans, Light Red Kidney Beans, Dark Red Kidney Beans, Baby Lima Beans, Pink Beans, Great Northern Beans, Garbanzo Beans, Pea, Lentils, Split Green, and Pigeon Peas.

**NOTE:** Pigeon Peas are botanically known as *Cajanus*, cajan from the family leguminose, which are known to be grown in Puerto Rico region and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

**G. Grade of Beans**

**DRY, EDIBLE BEANS:** Dry, edible beans delivered to USDA shall be grade U.S. No. 1, except U.S. No. 2 for splits, and shall meet the specifications for the class(es) of beans listed in the Invitation and in the United States Standards for Beans effective at the date of the Invitation. The exception for splits applies when splits are a grade-determining factor. In this situation, the inspection certificate shall state that the beans meet this announcement and would have graded U.S. No. 1 except for splits.

**DRY SPLIT PEAS:** Dry split peas of the class Green Split Peas or Yellow Split Peas shall be grade U.S. No. 1 and shall meet the specification for the classes of peas listed in the Invitation and in the United States Standards for Whole Dry Peas, Split Peas and Lentils effective at the date of the Invitation.

**LENTILS:** Lentils shall be of the class Lentils and shall be grade U.S. No. 1 and shall meet the specification for the classes of lentils listed in the Invitation and in the United States Standards for Whole Dry Peas, Split Peas and Lentils effective at the date of the Invitation.

**H. Packing, Labels and Packaging**

**1. Primary Containers**

The product must be packed in bags and/or shipping containers or balers as specified in the Invitation. Containers will be of a type normally and successfully used in

commercial channels by the industry and shall conform to the applicable carrier rules and regulations. The terms “**two-pounds**”, “**twenty-five-pounds**”, and “**one hundred-pounds**” refer to a net weight of two pounds, twenty-five pounds, and one hundred pounds, respectively.

A. Two-pound Packages

1. Plastic bags will have FDA approval for dry, edible beans, peas and lentils, and be suitable for safe distribution to domestic users.
2. The bag markings shall be in **black ink** and shall be of the design shown in mechanicals for base art and overlay (See Exhibit 1). These mechanical layouts, suitable for reproduction, are available from the Contracting Officer upon request. The Universal Product Code (UPC) bar code must be placed on the labels and on shipping cases (See Exhibit 5). The net weight must be expressed in metric as well as avoirdupois units.

B. 25-pound Bags. Materials used may be paper or woven polypropylene approved for use by FDA, and shall be suitable for safe distribution to domestic users.

C. 100-pound Bags. When the Invitation calls for product in 100-pound bags, the materials may be: (1) woven polypropylene bags, or (2) new burlap bags.

For 25-pound and 100-pound Bag Markings. “See Exhibit 1”

All containers must be of food grade quality in compliance with the Food Additives Regulations of the Federal Food and Drug Administration.

All containers must be completely sealed.

The bags must be suitably code marked so that the product can be identified with related inspection certificates.

PLEASE NOTE: All labels for needy family and related programs must not bear product names restated in Spanish. The Food and Drug Administration does not allow bilingual labels.

2. Secondary Container (case) Markings

Shipping Containers and Balers for Two-Pound Packages.

Beans in two-pound packages, shall be packed in new, corrugated fiberboard, shipping containers or multiwall paper balers. Shipping containers may be sealed by plastic tape in lieu of glue. The tape must be of sufficient width and strength that is used commercially to be acceptable by common carriers for safe transportation to

destinations. The tape must extend down the sides or ends at least two inches without interfering the case markings. A tape of see-through type may be used. A gummed paper tape may be used to close the paper balers, however, the paper tape will not overlap any of the printing on the balers.

Cases must be marked in such a manner that they contain all of the symbols, statements and information contained in Exhibit 2, "Required markings for Shipping Containers".

Cases may be marked by printing or stenciling or by preprinted, self-adhesive stickers. Self-adhesive stickers must be affixed to the case in such a manner that they cannot be removed intact.

Exact arrangement and adherence to font size is not required. The case markings must be clearly marked, easily read, and substantially the same as specified in Exhibit 3.

Exhibit 4 shows an alternative placard that may be applied to a new, corrugated fiberboard case acceptable by common or other carriers for safe transportation to destinations. This placard must be affixed to the case in such a manner that it cannot be removed intact.

Cases must have the recycling statement shown in Exhibit 6, "Please Recycle" Symbol and Statement or Exhibit 7 "Corrugated Recycles" Symbol and Statement.

No markings other than those permitted under this section must appear on the shipping containers, balers, or bags unless approved by USDA.

#### **I. Universal Product Codes (UPC)**

Primary label and shipping container Universal Product Codes for USDA products are listed in Exhibit 5. The Contractor's UPC is not acceptable. The primary container UPC must be positioned on the label as shown in Exhibit 1. The shipping container UPC must be marked on the case as shown in Exhibit 2.

#### **J. Palletization Requirements**

##### **1. Pallets**

Pallets must be on 48 X 40 inch, non-reversible, flush stringer, and partial four-way entry. New pallets must be good quality woods. Used pallets must be No.1 hardwood or its equivalent in new softwood. If pallet exchange is desired, the contractor shall arrange for pallet exchange with consignees. USDA is in no way responsible for arrangement of pallet exchange.

2. Unitization

Each delivery unit of bean products must be unitized (palletized and stretchwrapped). Shipping cases must be stacked and secured from top to bottom, so that each container and layer of containers becomes an integral part of the pallet. Either stretch wrapping with plastic film or “lock ‘n pop” is acceptable.

II. Commodity Specifications

A. Products delivered pursuant to this Announcement must have originated from crops that have been grown and packed in the United States (including Puerto Rico) in accordance with good commercial practices, during the packing season and from the crop year(s) specified in the Invitation, and must meet the requirements specified in the applicable United States Standards effective on the date of the Invitation, and any additional requirements listed herein.

B. Net Weight Specifications

The average net weight shall meet as specified by the label. No individual package or bag in the sample shall have an unreasonable shortage. Unreasonable individual net weights shall be:

<u>Net Weight Requirement</u>	<u>Unreasonable Net Weight</u>
2.0 pounds	less than 1.96 pounds
25.0 pounds	less than 24.6 pounds
100.0 pounds	less than 98 pounds
over 100.0 pounds	less than 98 percent

III. Inspection and Checkloading

A. Requirements

USDA Grader must perform the inspection and checkloading required by Articles 54 and 55 of USDA-1. Inspection of bean products must be performed not more than 90 days prior to shipment. Whether each lot offered meets the product and container requirements of the contract must be determined on the basis of representative sample units. Representative sample units will be graded according to the Regulations Governing Inspection and Certification of Dry Edible Beans, Peas and Lentils and the United States Standards for Condition of Food Containers (7 C.F.R. part 42.140), effective on the date of the Invitation.



**B. Certification**

Subject to Articles 54 and 55 of USDA-1, the acceptability of the quality, weight, packaging, and checkloading of the product must be evidenced by certificates issued by the USDA Grader. No product shall be shipped unless the USDA Grader informs the Contractor that a designated lot is acceptable. Notice by the USDA Grader that a designated lot scheduled for shipment does not meet requirements of the contract shall constitute rejection of such lot.

**C. Procedures**

The Contractor must give the USDA Grader at least 7 days advance notice when scheduling inspection service. Prior to sampling, the Contractor must furnish the USDA Grader with a list of codes and the approximate number of cases per code.

**IV. Failure to Meet Specifications**

Any lot which fails applicable specifications prescribed herein will be rejected as not acceptable for delivery, except as noted in A or B below. If any lot of dry, edible beans, peas and lentils fail to meet the product or packaging requirement noted below, the Contractor may request in writing that USDA accept delivery of the lot. USDA may, at its option, accept delivery, provided that the purchase price is the contract price less the minimum discount specified, depending upon the reason(s) for the failure to meet specifications.

**A. Product**

Weight Deficiency (Net weight or unreasonable net weight)

- (a) If any lot fails low average or low adjusted net weight, the discount will be twice the percentage by which the lot fails to meet the minimum required weight.

Example: Weight required for a given bag is 25 pounds. The average weight for a given lot of product is 23.5 pounds. Such lot is then 1.5 pounds, or 1.5 percent below the required weight (25 pounds). The purchase price for such lot would be the contract price less a discount of 3.00 percent of such price.

- (b) If any lot fails requirements for unreasonable net weight the discount shall be 1 percent (.01) of the contract price.
- (c) If any lot fails because of a combination of both (1) and (2) above, the discount must be whichever of the individual discounts is greater.

**B. Packaging**

Primary Container (Bags) Markings

- (1) Incorrect or missing weight statement: Subject to a two (2) percent discount.
- (2) Incorrect or missing UPC Code: Subject to a one (1) percent discount.
- (3) Incorrect or missing "Distributed by USDA in Cooperation with State and Local or Tribal Governments for Domestic Food Assistance Programs" Statement: Subject to a two (2) percent discount.

Secondary Container (Case) Markings

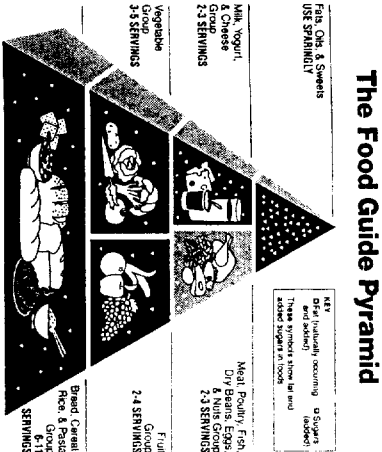
- (1) Missing Contract Number: Subject to a two (2) percent discount.
- (2) Missing "Not to be Sold or Exchanged" Statement: Subject to a two (2) percent discount.
- (3) Incorrect or missing "Distributed by USDA in Cooperation with State and Local or Tribal Governments for Domestic Food Assistance Programs" Statement: Subject to a two (2) percent discount.
- (4) Incorrect or missing Pack Date: Subject to a one (1) percent discount.
- (5) Incorrect or missing UPC Code: subject to a one (1) percent discount.
- (6) Missing "USDA Shield": Subject to a one (1) percent discount.
- (7) Missing "Recycle Symbol": Subject to a one (1) percent discount.



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V. Exhibits

Exhibit 1



- CARE OF PRODUCT**
- Store in a cool, dry place.
  - After opening, store unused Dry Beans in a tightly covered container.
- CONTENTS** About 5 cups, dry.  
1 cup beans, dry = about 2 3/4 cups, cooked.
- INGREDIENTS** xxx xxx xxx xxx  
xxx xxx xxx xxx xxx

UPC Code

**Blackeye Peas**

Distributed by USDA in cooperation with State and local or tribal governments for domestic food assistance programs.  
**NOT TO BE SOLD OR EXCHANGED**  
Inspected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture

**NET WEIGHT 32 OUNCES (2 LBS.)**

Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 0 cup (000g)	
Amount Per Serving	
Calories 000	Calories from Fat 000
Total Fat Nutrition Facts	
Saturate	00%
Cholest	00%
Sodium	00%
Total Carbohydrate	00%
Dietary Fiber 0g	0%
Sugars 00g	
Protein 00g	
Vitamin A 0%	Vitamin C 0%
Calcium 00%	Iron 0%
Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs.	
Calories: 2,000	
Total Fat	Less than 65g
Sat Fat	Less than 20g
Cholesterol	Less than 300mg
Sodium	Less than 2,400mg
Total Carbohydrate	300g
Dietary Fiber	25g
Calories per gram:	
Fat 9 • Carbohydrate 4 • Protein 4	

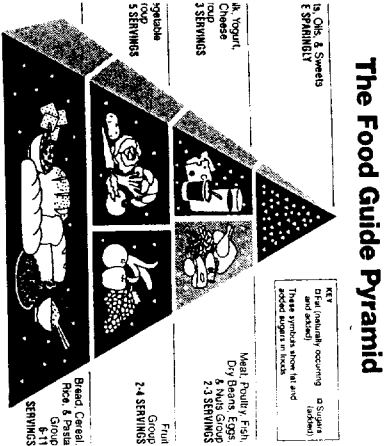
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Exhibit 1  
(cont.)



- CARE OF PRODUCT**
- Store in a cool, dry place.
  - After opening, store unused Dry Beans in a tightly covered container.

**CONTENTS** About 5 cups, dry.  
1 cup beans, dry = about 2 3/4 cups, cooked.

**INGREDIENTS** xxx xxx xxx xxx  
xxx xxx xxx xxx xxx

UPC Code

# Baby Lima Beans

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**NOT TO BE SOLD OR EXCHANGED**  
Inspected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture

**NET WEIGHT 32 OUNCES (2 LBS.)**

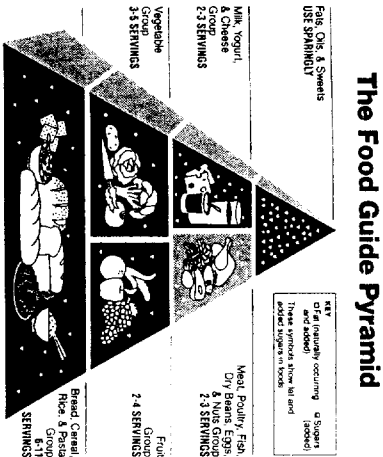
Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 0 cup (000g)	
Servings Per Container 0	
Amount Per Serving	Calories from Fat 000
Calories 000	
Total Fat	00%
Saturat	00%
Cholest	00%
Sodium	00%
Total Carbohydrate	00%
Dietary Fiber	0%
Sugars	0g
Protein	0g
Vitamin A 0%	Vitamin C 0%
Calcium 00%	Iron 0%
Percent Daily Values are based on a diet of other people's misdeeds.	
Amount Per Serving	
Total Fat	Less than 20g
Saturat	Less than 20g
Cholest	Less than 20g
Sodium	Less than 20g
Total Carbohydrate	Less than 20g
Dietary Fiber	Less than 20g
Sugars	Less than 20g
Protein	Less than 20g

PLEASE RECYCLE

**USDA FOOD**

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Exhibit 1  
(cont.)



- CARE OF PRODUCT**
- Store in a cool, dry place.
  - After opening, store unused Dry Beans in a tightly covered container.

**CONTENTS** About 5 cups, dry.  
1 cup beans, dry = about 2 3/4 cups, cooked.

**INGREDIENTS** xxx xxx xxx xxx  
xxx xxx xxx xxx xxx

UPC Code

# Great Northern Beans

Distributed by USDA in cooperation with State and local or tribal governments for domestic food assistance programs.

**NOT TO BE SOLD OR EXCHANGED**  
Inspected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture

**NET WEIGHT 32 OUNCES (2 LBS.)**

Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 0 cup (000g)	
Servings Per Container 0	
Amount Per Serving	
Calories 000	Calories from Fat 000
Total Fat Nutrition Facts	
Saturated Fat 00g	00%
Cholesterol 00g	00%
Sodium 00g	00%
Total Carbohydrate 00g	00%
Dietary Fiber 0g	0%
Sugars 00g	
Protein 00g	
Vitamin A 0%	Vitamin C 0%
Calcium 00%	Iron 0%

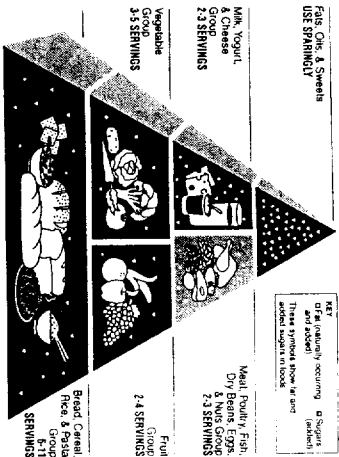
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The Food Guide Pyramid



CARE OF PRODUCT

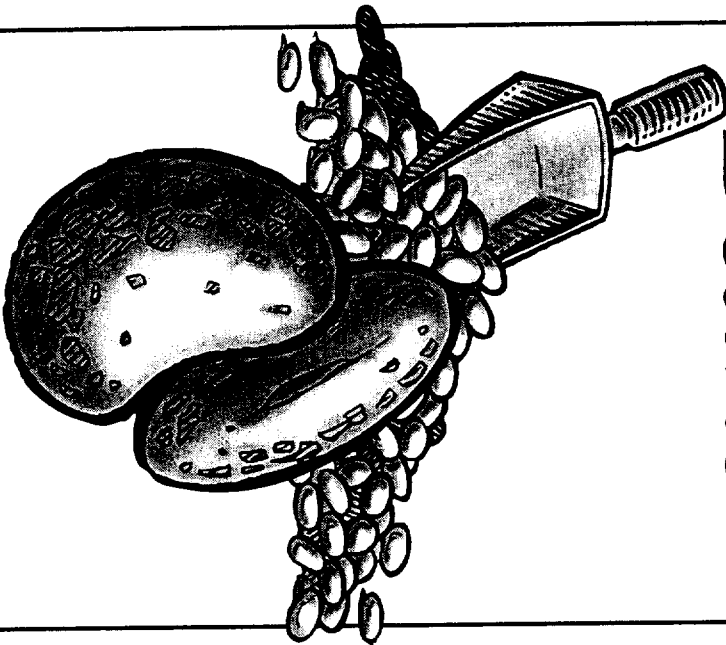
- Store in a cool, dry place.
- After opening, store unused Dry Beans in a tightly covered container.

**CONTENTS** About 5 cups, dry.  
1 cup beans, dry = about 2 3/4 cups, cooked.

**INGREDIENTS** xxx xxx xxx xxx  
xxx xxx xxx xxx xxx

UPC Code

Pinto Beans



Distributed by USDA in cooperation with State and local or tribal governments for domestic food assistance programs.

**NOT TO BE SOLD OR EXCHANGED**  
Inspected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture

**NET WEIGHT 32 OUNCES (2 LBS.)**

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size 0 cup (000g)		Servings Per Container 0	
Amount Per Serving		Calories 000	
Calories 000		Calories from Fat 000	
Total Fat		Nutrition Facts	
Saturate		panel	
Cholest		FPO	
Sodium		Total Carbohydrate 00g	
Total Carbohydrate 00g		00%	
Dietary Fiber 0g		0%	
Sugars 00g		Protein 00g	
Vitamin A 0%		Vitamin C 0%	
Calcium 00%		Iron 0%	
Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs.		Calories. 2,000 2,500	
Total Fat		Less than 65g	
Saturate		Less than 20g	
Cholesterol		300mg	
Sodium		Less than 2,400mg	
Total Carbohydrate		375g	
Dietary Fiber		25g	
Sugars		30g	
Protein		15g	
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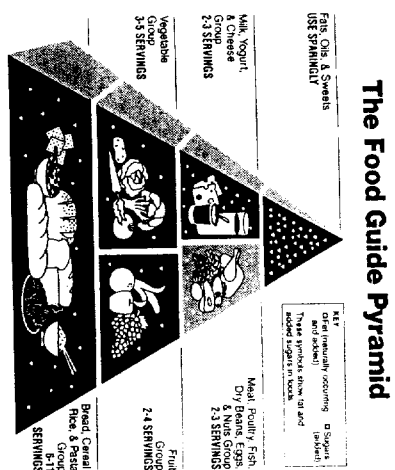


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**CARE OF PRODUCT**

- Store in a cool, dry place.
- After opening, store unused Dry Beans in a tightly covered container.

**CONTENTS** About 5 cups, dry.  
1 cup beans, dry = about 2 3/4 cups, cooked.

**INGREDIENTS** xxx xxx xxx xxx  
xxx xxx xxx xxx xxx

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# Kidney Beans

LIGHT RED

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**NET WEIGHT 32 OUNCES (2 LBS.)**

Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 0 cup (000g)	
Servings Per Container 0	
Amount Per Serving	Calories from Fat 000
Calories 000	
Total Fat Nutrition Facts panel FPO	
Saturated	00%
Cholesterol	00%
Sodium	00%
Total Carbohydrate	00g 00%
Dietary Fiber	0g 0%
Sugars	00g
Protein	00g
Vitamin A 0%	Vitamin C 0%
Calcium 00%	Iron 0%
Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs.	
Calories: 2,000 2,500	
Total Fat	Less than 65g 80g
Sat Fat	Less than 20g 25g
Cholesterol	Less than 300mg 300mg
Sodium	Less than 2,400mg 2,400mg
Total Carbohydrate	300g 375g
Dietary Fiber	25g 30g
Calories per gram: Fat 9 • Carbohydrate 4 • Protein 4	

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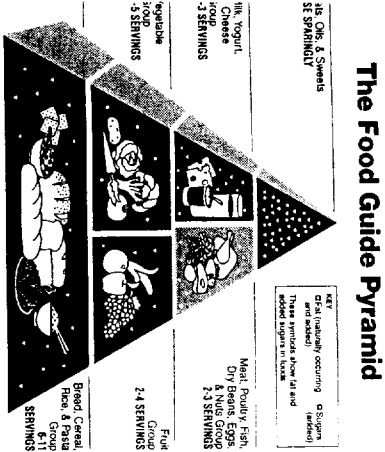


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Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 0 cup (000g)	
Servings Per Container 0	
Amount Per Serving	
Calories 000	Calories from Fat 000
Total Fat	
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Saturated Fat	
00g	00%
Cholesterol	
00%	00%
Sodium	
00g	00%
Total Carbohydrate	
00g	00%
Dietary Fiber	
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Total Fat	
Less than 65g	80g
Saturated Fat	
Less than 30g	30g
Cholesterol	
Less than 300mg	300mg
Sodium	
Less than 2,400mg	2,400mg
Total Carbohydrate	
Less than 300g	375g
Dietary Fiber	
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Calories per gram:	
Fat 9	Carbohydrate 4
Protein 4	



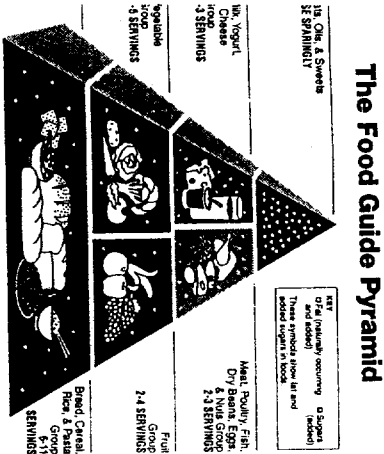
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Dry, Edible Beans, Peas and Lentils

Commodity Specification

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- INGREDIENTS** xxx xxx xxx xxx  
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**Kidney Beans** DARK RED

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**NET WEIGHT 32 OUNCES (2 LBS.)**

Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 0 cup (000g)	
Servings Per Container 0	
Amount Per Serving	
Calories 000 Calories from Fat 000	
Total Fat Nutrition Facts	
Total Fat	00%
Sodium	00%
Total Carbohydrate	00%
Dietary Fiber	00%
Sugars	00g
Protein	00g
Vitamin A	0%
Calcium	00%
Percent Daily Values are based on a diet of other people's misdeeds.	
Total Fat: Less than 65g 80g	
Sodium: Less than 200mg 250mg	
Total Carbohydrate: Less than 300mg 300mg	
Dietary Fiber: 25g 30g	
Sugars: 200g 250g	
Protein: 5g 10g	
Vitamin A: 0% 0%	
Calcium: 00% 00%	

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The Food Guide Pyramid

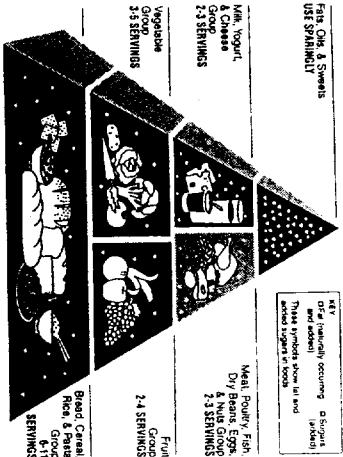


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CARE OF PRODUCT

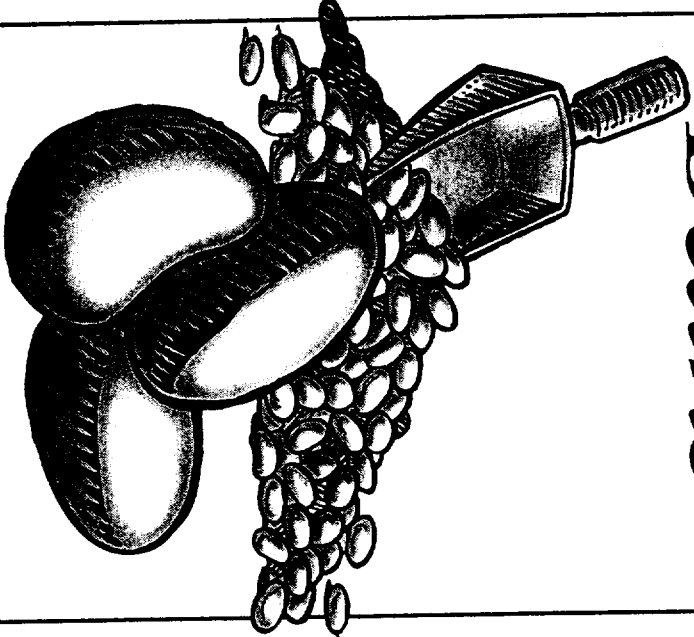
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- After opening, store unused Dry Beans in a tightly covered container.

**CONTENTS** About 5 cups, dry.  
1 cup beans, dry = about 2 3/4 cups, cooked.

**INGREDIENTS** xxx xxx xxx xxx  
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# Navy Beans



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Inspected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture

**NET WEIGHT 32 OUNCES (2 LBS.)**

Nutrition Facts	
Serving Size 0 cup (000g)	
Servings Per Container 0	
Amount Per Serving	Calories from Fat 000
Calories 000	
Nutrition Facts panel FPO	
Total Fat	00%
Saturate	00%
Cholest	00%
Sodium	00%
Total Carbohydrate 00g	00%
Dietary Fiber 0g	0%
Sugars 00g	
Protein 00g	
Vitamin A 0%	Vitamin C 0%
Calcium 00%	Iron 0%
Percent Daily Values are based on a diet of other people's misdeeds.	
Diet. Values are based on a diet of other people's misdeeds.	
Total Fat: Less than 65g	
Saturate: Less than 20g	
Cholesterol: Less than 300mg	
Sodium: Less than 2,400mg	
Total Carbohydrate: 300g	
Dietary Fiber: 25g	
Sugars: 30g	
Protein: 25g	
Calories and other values are based on a diet of other people's misdeeds.	
Fat 9 • Carbohydrate 4 • Protein 4	



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Exhibit 1  
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MARKINGS REQUIRED ON 25-LB AND 100-LB BAGS 1/

ALL PRINTING MUST BE DARK BLUE INK

<u>Letter Size</u>		
25-LB	100-LB	
BAGS	BAGS	
1"	2"	DRY _____ 2/
1"	1"	DISTRIBUTED BY USDA
1"	1"	IN COOPERATION WITH STATE AND LOCAL
1"	1"	OR TRIBAL GOVERNEMNTS FOR DOMESTIC
1"	1"	FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
1"	1"	NOT TO BE SOLD OR EXCHANGED
1"	1"	STORE IN COOL, DRY PLACE
1"	1"	CONTRACT NO. _____ 3/
1"	1"	NET WEIGHT _____ 4/
1"	1"	PACKED IN _____ 5/
		6/
		7/

- 1/ Markings shall be in **DARK BLUE INK**, and are to be placed on one side of the bag. On the reverse side of the bag, print the USDA symbol (at least 5" in diameter) and the packer's name and address – city, state, zip code.
- 2/ Insert class name of beans in conformance with class of beans shown in contract (Pink Beans, Pinto Beans, Pea Beans, Navy Beans, etc.)
- 3/ Insert last five digits of contract number.
- 4/ Insert applicable weight and metric equivalents: 25 lbs (11.34 kg), 100 lbs (45.36 kg)
- 5/ Insert month and year packed. The first month of the shipping period specified in the Invitation is acceptable.
- 6/ Insert Universal Product Code (see Exhibit 5).
- 7/ Vendors who have proper certification are encouraged to place the universally recognized Kosher symbol here.

Exhibit 2

Required Markings for Shipping Containers or Bailers  
ALL PRINTING TO BE IN BLACK INK

BOTH SIDE PANELS		BOTH END PANELS	
PRODUCT NAME		PRODUCT NAME	
1/		CONTRACT NO. 3/	
2/		PACKED IN 4/ BY	
		5/	
USDA SYMBOL	6/	7/	
DISTRIBUTED BY USDA			
IN COOPERATION WITH STATE AND LOCAL			
OR TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS FOR DOMESTIC			
FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS			
NOT TO BE SOLD OR EXCHANGED			
STORE IN COOL, DRY PLACE			

Product name must be printed or stenciled on a separate line in letters at least three-fourths inch high, and all other information must be in letters less than three-fourths inch but at least three-eighths inch high. The USDA Food Symbol must be printed, stamped, or labeled and be of sufficient size to stand out prominently. Case markings must be limited to case codes and those contained in this Exhibit.

- 1/ Insert any additional product style, pack, packing media, or further definition as applicable (i.e. Dry, Beans Pinto; Dry, Beans, Blackeye, etc.)
- 2/ Insert the size and number of packages per case (i.e. 12/2 lbs bag)
- 3/ Insert the last five digits of contract number.
- 4/ Insert month and year packed (the first month of packing season is acceptable).
- 5/ Insert name of Packer and Packer's Address - City, State, and Zip Code. This information can be placed on the end panels or the side panels.
- 6/ Insert Universal Product Code (see Exhibit "5").
- 7/ Vendors who have proper certification are encouraged to place the universally recognized Kosher symbol here.

Exhibit 3

Alternative Label for Shipping Containers  
(Includes all Required Information)



**Product Name**

**Style**

**Size/Number per case**

**Contract Number xxxxxxxxxx**

**Packed in: Month Year**

**Packed by: ABC Company**

**Any Town, CA 99999**

**DISTRIBUTED BY USDA IN COOPERATION  
WITH STATE AND LOCAL OR TRIBAL  
GOVERNMENTS FOR DOMESTIC FOOD  
ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

**NOT TO BE SOLD OR EXCHANGED**

**STORE IN COOL, DRY PLACE**



1234567891012345678910

Exhibit 4

Sample Alternative Label for Shipping Containers



**Dry, Beans, Pinto**

**12/2 Lb Bag**

**Contract Number 120292000**

**Packed in: November 1999**

**Packed by: ABC Company**

**Any Town, CA 99999**

**DISTRIBUTED BY USDA IN COOPERATION  
WITH STATE AND LOCAL OR TRIBAL  
GOVERNMENTS FOR DOMESTIC FOOD  
ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

**NOT TO BE SOLD OR EXCHANGED**

**STORE IN COOL, DRY PLACE**



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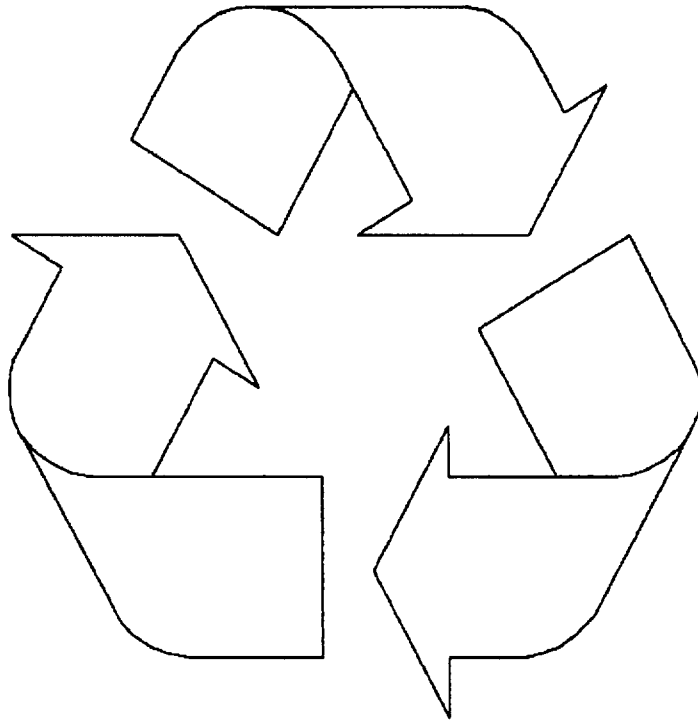
Exhibit 5

Universal Product Codes

<u>COMMODITY</u>		<u>PRIMARY CONTAINER</u>	<u>SHIPPING CONTAINER</u>
DRY BEANS	12/2-lb	7 1500101905 9	1 07 15001 01905 6
Blackeye	12/2-lb	7 1500101910 3	1 07 15001 01910 0
	25 lbs	7 1500101930 1	1 07 15001 01930 8
Garbanzo	12/2-lb	7 1500101911 0	1 07 15001 01911 7
	25 lbs	7 1500101933 2	1 07 15001 01933 9
Baby Lima	12/2-lb	7 1500101912 7	1 07 15001 01912 4
	25 lbs	7 1500101936 2	1 07 15001 01936 9
Pinto	12/2-lb	7 1500101914 1	1 07 15001 01914 8
	25 lbs	7 1500101942 4	1 07 15001 01942 1
	100 lbs	7 1500101967 7	1 07 15001 01967 4
Great Northern	12/2-lb	7 1500101917 2	1 07 15001 01917 9
	25 lbs	7 1500101925 7	1 07 15001 01925 4
Dark Red Kidney	12/2-lb	7 1500101915 8	1 07 15001 01915 5
	25 lbs	7 1500101945 5	1 07 15001 01945 2
Light Red Kidney	12/2 lb	7 1500101920 2	1 07 15001 01920 9
	25 lbs	7 1500101927 1	1 07 15001 01927 8
Small Red	12/2-lb	7 1500101940 0	1 07 15001 01940 7
	25 lbs	7 1500101948 6	1 07 15001 01948 3
Pea	12/2-lb	7 1500101918 9	1 07 15001 01918 6
	25 lbs	7 1500101924 0	1 07 15001 01924 7
Pink	12/2-lb	7 1500101913 4	1 07 15001 01913 1
	25 lbs	7 1500101939 4	1 07 15001 01939 1
Split Green	12/2-lb	7 1500101922 6	1 07 15001 01922 3
Lentils	12/2-lb	7 1500101135 0	1 07 15001 01135 7
	25 lbs	7 1500101134 3	1 07 15001 01134 0
Pigeon	12/2-lb	7 1500101073 5	1 07 15001 01073 2

**Exhibit 6**

**“Please Recycle” Symbol and Statement**



**PLEASE  
RECYCLE**



**Exhibit 7**

**“Corrugated Recycles” Symbol and Statement**



**Corrugated  
Recycles**

Exhibit 8

USDA Symbol

